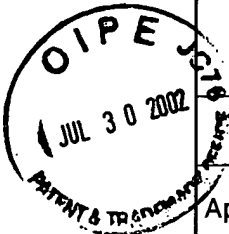


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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2002, finally rejecting claims 1, 3-18, 20-32, and 39, please amend the above-captioned U.S. Patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 12, 18, 20-24, and 26 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter recited therein.

Please replace claims 11, 15, 16, 25, 27, 28, 30, 31, and 32.

11. (Twice Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:

at least one memory cell comprising:

an active region in a substrate;

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